

## H.B. 6355 OPPOSED

Dear Judiciary Committee,

I am writing this testimony to OPPOSE H.B. 6355, An Act Concerning Risk Protection Orders and Warrants. Such "Red Flag" orders and warrants are unconstitutional and unjust regarding the privacy of an individuals' medical health and of their property, and would allow for unlawful searches and seizures. They make a person guilty until proven innocent at a high expense to the accused. Red Flag laws and Extreme Risk Protection Orders are very dangerous and questionable tactics which will most certainly lead to abuse of power (and possible violence) by law enforcement and by an individuals' neighbors, family members, coworkers, etc. who could easily and falsely accuse a person of being "mentally ill" and/or dangerous to himself or others on a whim and with the stroke of a pen. An accuser can do this out of spite with no basis in fact and get away with it with no repercussions, while the accused can have their property taken away and will have large legal bills to pay just for the chance to get it back. There is no set timeframe on how long the legal proceeding can be dragged on for, unfairly wasting a possibly innocent person's time and money. Unlawfully confiscating one's firearms and/or means of self-defense infringes upon one's God-given, universal, and fundamental natural rights, and must not be compromised. Passage of this bill would most certainly be unconstitutional and against the individual rights of good citizens.

Thank you,  
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